EXHIBIT A NJDHS ANARCHIST EXTREMISTS TERRORISM SNAPSHOTS

19th century French literature.

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ANARCHIST EXTREMISTS

Background

- Anarchism is the belief that society should exist absent of "oppressive" advocate violence in furtherance of this idea, typically focusing on subgovernments, laws, police, or any other authority. Anarchist extremists movements such as anti-racism, anti-capitalism, anti-globalism, and environmental extremism.
- organizational hierarchy. These extremists are event-driven and often take advantage of otherwise legal protests to conduct violent counter-protests, • Anarchist extremists, or those subscribing to the ideology that condones violence and the use of force, do not have a central leadership and lack destroy public and private property, and attack law enforcement.
- government, include commercial infrastructure and the financial sector. • Common attack targets, chosen for their symbols of capitalism and Vandalism and arson are the most common attack types.
- Jersey, known as North Jersey Antifa, South Jersey Antifa, and HubCity affiliated with Antifa and focus on issues of racism, immigration, and other perceived social injustices. There are three loosely organized chapters in New A majority of New Jersey-based anarchist extremists are Antifa based in New Brunswick (Middlesex County).



Anarchist extremist propaganda targeting the alt-right movement



Anarchist extremist slogans found in Princeton (Mercer County) in January

Additional Resources

2019 Terrorism Threat Assessment

Information cutoff: February 4, 2019

Threat to New Jersey: Moderate

Amendment-protected events and protests, and target perceived enemies. Throughout 2018, anarchist extremists were actively engaged in criminal are unjust, carry out criminal and violent acts during otherwise First Anarchist extremists will mobilize in response to issues they believe activities in the tri-state region, resulting in at least 20 arrests.

racism, sexism, and anti-Semitism, as well as other perceived injustices. Antifa, or anti-fascists, is a movement that focuses on issues involving

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The majority of Antifa members do not promote or endorse violence;

individuals who seek to carry out acts of violence in order to forward however, the movement consists of anarchist extremists and other

their respective agendas.

they perceived as a white supremacist event. That same month, an Antifaextremists, mobilized at the "We the People" rally in Philadelphia, which home of the founder of the Daily Caller, stating that he was "promoting related group, Smash Racism DC, vandalized and protested outside the • In November, several hundred people, including a number of anarchist hate" and "an ideology that has led to thousands of people dying."

Anarchist extremists use the circle-A as one of their primary symbols. "A" represents "anarchism," while "O" stands for "order." Together, the letters mean "society seeks order in anarchy," which stems from

- and kicked US Marine Corps reservists not affiliated with the event while and engaged in acts of vandalism. After the event, one of the anarchist calling them "Nazis" and "white supremacists." In October, anarchist group of individuals, including anarchist extremists, Maced, punched Following the "We the People" rally in Philadelphia in November, a extremists protested outside a Proud Boys event in New York City extremists threw a bottle at the Proud Boys, resulting in a fight.
- (ICE) officials. Following the release, another individual disseminated the spouses in Oregon, stating, "It's the public's right to know the faces of the names and photos of nearly 1,600 Immigration and Customs Enforcement gestapo and who is creating, enforcing, and filling concentration camps in In June, a Nebraska-based anarchist extremist group tweeted a link to the names, pictures, and home addresses of seven ICE employees and their our name."





Thomas Keenan, Thomas Massey, and Joseph Alcoff (pictured from



used the black flag as a rejection of the concept of Since the late 19th century, anarchist groups have used until the 1917 October Revolution in Russia when it became primarily associated with communist representation or the idea that an institution can ideologies.



form of the far-left school of thought, encompassing Red and black flags flying together represents coming Antifa consists of individuals who adhere to some communists, anarchists, socialist groups, and others. together against a perceived enemy.

adequately represent a group of individuals.